


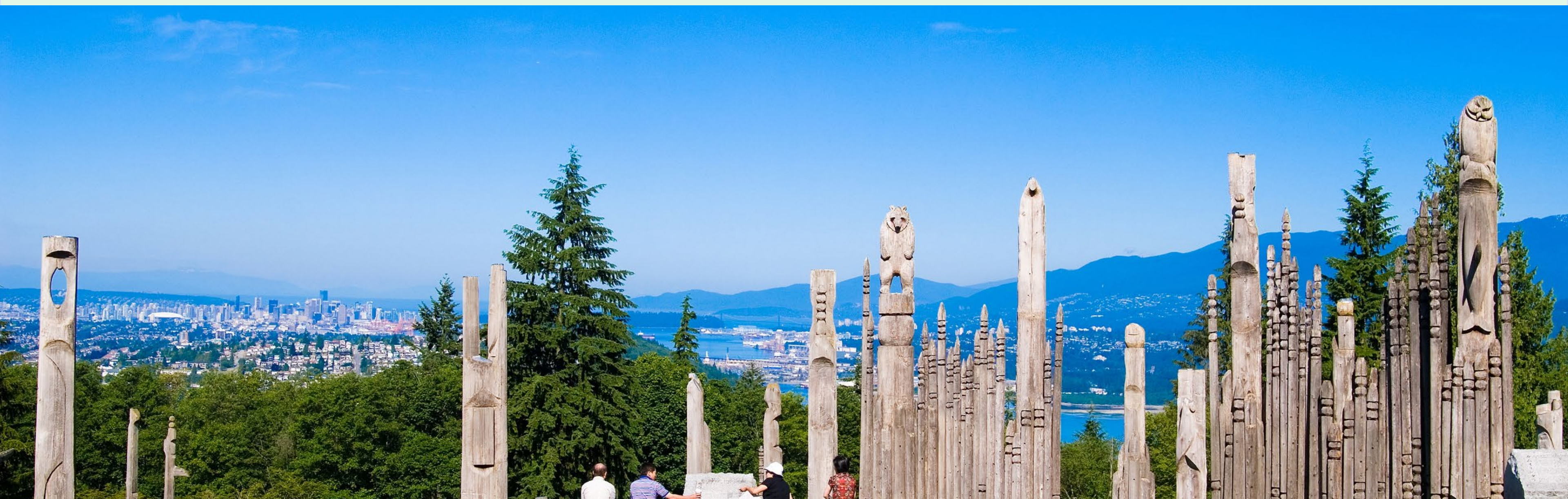
2026 Targeted Call for Clean Energy Innovation Webinar

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- Please use the Q&A feature for any questions and they will be answered by a member of the ICE Fund during the webinar or at the end. You have the option to submit questions anonymously. 
- The webinar will be recorded.
- The presentation will be approximately 20 minutes long with time for questions at the end.

Presenters: Kym Thrift, Director
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We acknowledge with respect that the BC Public Service operates throughout BC on the traditional lands of Indigenous peoples.



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About the ICE Fund

Established in 2007 to support the Province's energy, economic, environmental and GHG reduction priorities and advance B.C.'s clean energy sector.

Legislated Special Account funded through a levy on certain energy sales.

Focused on clean energy technologies and pathways.



Since 2008

ICE Fund has provided over \$135 Million
Supporting BC projects valued over \$656 Million



	Open Call for Innovation and Partnerships	Targeted Call for Clean Energy Innovation
Intake Period	Ongoing/Year Round	Open Until June 15 th , 2026
Funding Available	Determined Yearly	\$12M+ for 3-Year Call (2024-2026)
Technology Stage	Pre-Commercial Technology Development	Pre-Commercial Technology Development to First-of-Kind Commercial (TRL 4-9)
Project Types	Partnership projects with other funds and initiatives that benefit clean energy innovation ecosystem	Projects in preferred themes or other innovative clean energy projects

2025 Successful Recipients



2025 Retrospective – What We've Heard

1. Updates to Targeted Call themes
2. Program Guide refinement on eligibility, definitions, preferences
3. Application template adjustments
4. Checkpoints with ICE Fund during detailed proposal section

Eligibility

Eligibility Term	Description
Applicant	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Any Canadian private entity is eligible to apply for funding under this call.
Project Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Project must take place within British Columbia.
Previously Funded Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Projects or portions thereof that have previously received funding from the ICE Fund are not eligible to receive further funding for that project under this Call.• There is a preference for applicants that have not received funding from the ICE Fund previously, or in the recent past.
Project Term	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Projects should be completed within two (2) years of contract execution. Longer than two years may be accepted.
Stage of Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Projects between Technology Readiness Level scale (TRL) 4-9 to first-of-kind deployment in BC.

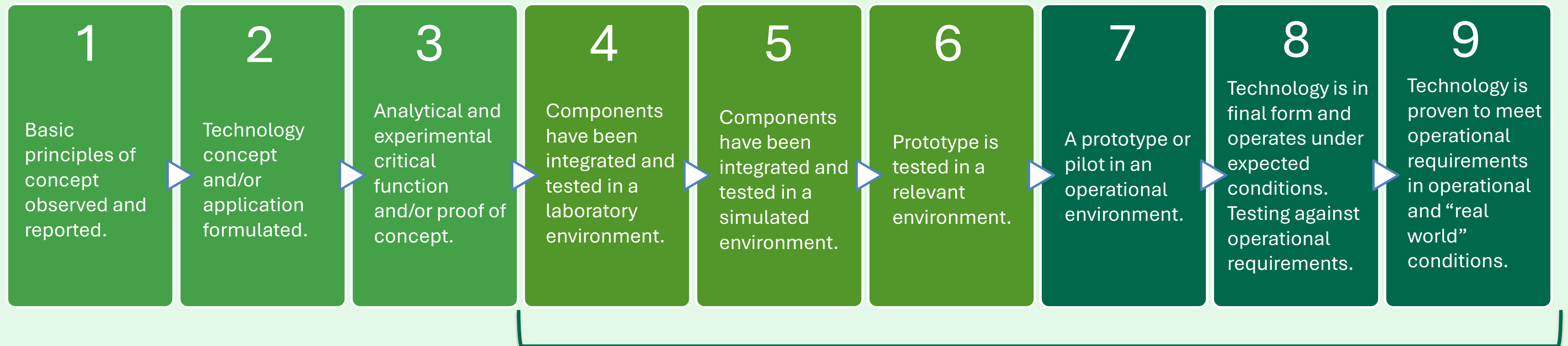


Technology Development

Projects will be accepted that are either:

1. Pre-Commercial Technology Development
2. First-of-Kind Commercial Deployment

Technology Readiness Levels (TRL)



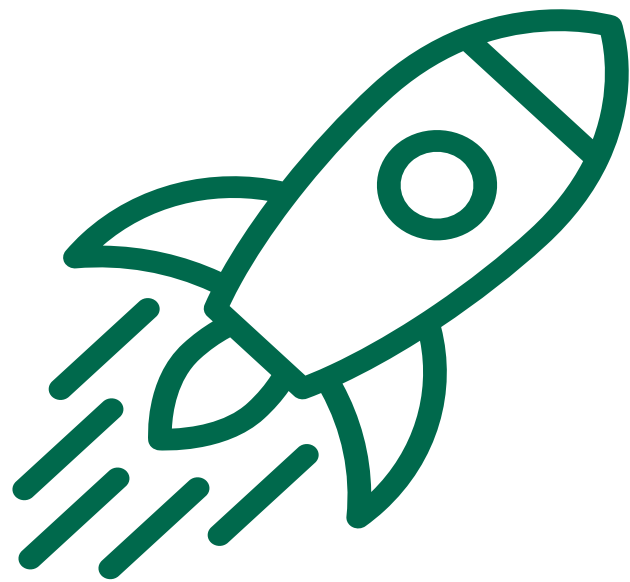
Funding Terms

Funding provided is non-dilutive grant funding payable upon completion of project milestones

Funding Term	Description
ICE Funding Available	Anticipated to be between \$500,000 and \$1,500,000 per Recipient
Total Government Funding	Maximum 75% of the project costs
Minimum applicant and/or consortium funding	Minimum 25% of the project costs
Total Funding Available for the Call	For the 2026 Call, \$4M is expected to be awarded.

Targeted Call Priorities

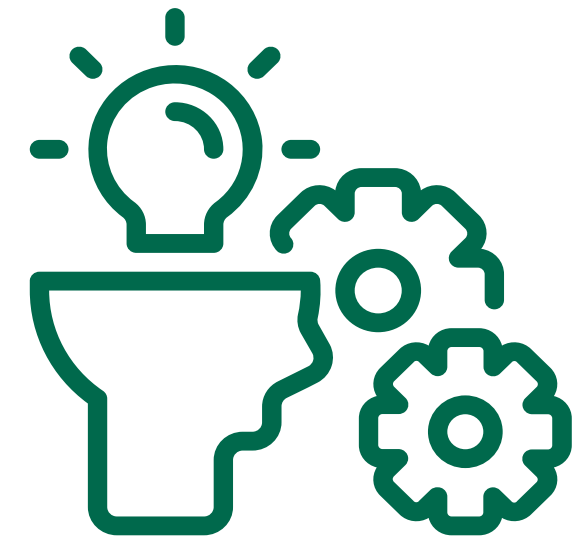
**Deployment and
Near-Term Impact**



**Strong Connection
to BC**



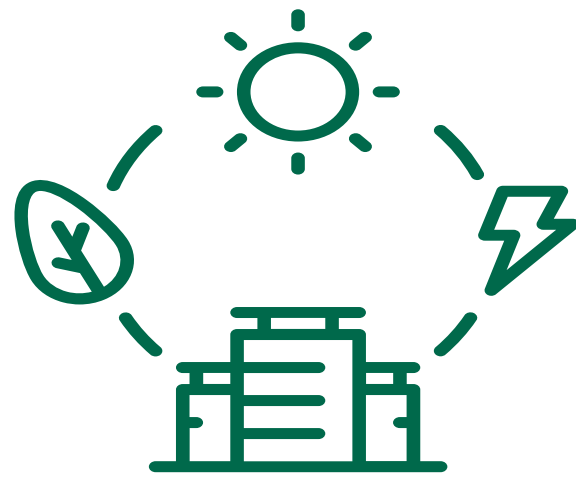
**Strong and Sustainable
Innovation Advantage**



Technology Themes

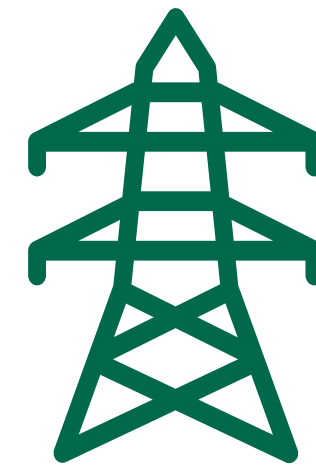
Electrification Affordability and Efficiency

Technology solutions that reduce the cost and/or increase the feasibility of efficient electricity use in residential, commercial, and institutional settings.



Utility Energy Management and Smart Grids

Technologies that enhance utility energy and capacity management, reducing the need for service upgrades through innovative and emerging solutions.



Electrification Affordability and Efficiency

Affordability-Enhancing Technologies that reduce capital, installation, or operating costs associated with electrification, electrical equipment, or electrical service. This includes technologies that improve energy conservation and power management for both new and legacy equipment.

Heat Pumps and Ancillary Technologies that improve efficiency or expand electrification options in under-served or emerging market segments.

Waste Heat Recovery and Avoidance Technologies that increase overall energy efficiency for heating or other processes.

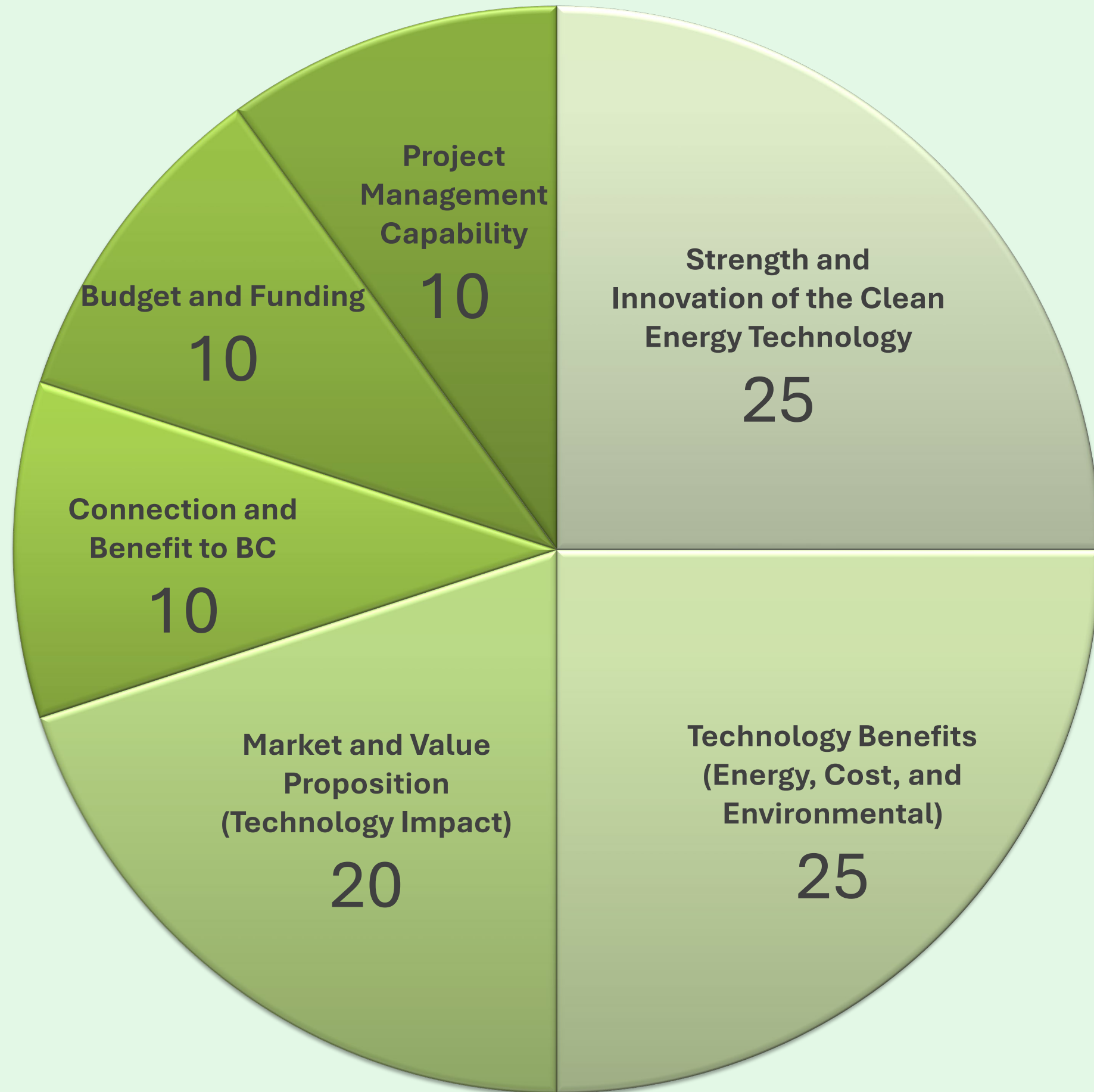
Utility Energy Management and Smart Grids

Grid Flexibility, Load Management and Distributed Energy Resource (DER) Technologies that support reliability, manage electricity demand, and improve electrical capacity control. Projects must include grid-connected functionality and the ability to respond to utility signals.

Grid-Enhancing Technologies that increase the transmission and distribution capability of existing grid infrastructure.

Advanced Materials and Products that improve the performance, reliability, and resilience of the existing grid network.

Weighted Criteria: The following criteria is used to evaluate projects

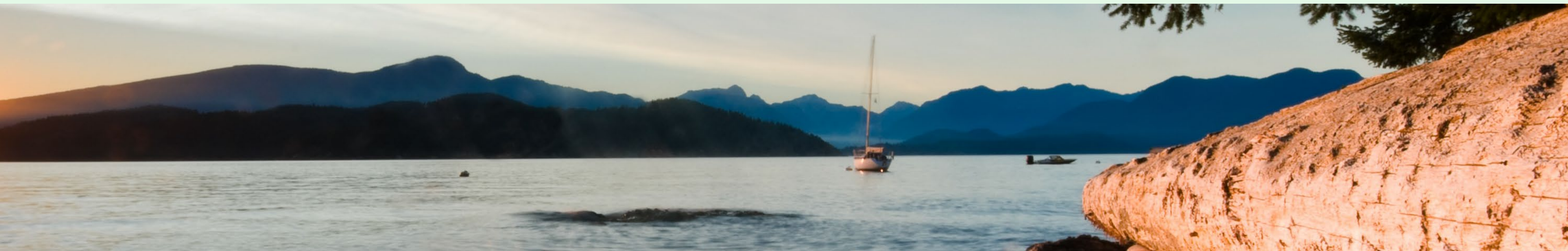


Desirable Project Attributes

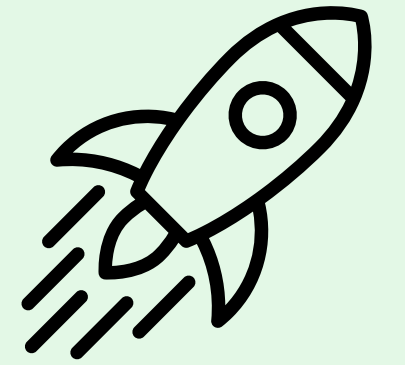
- Affordability
- Energy Resilience
- Equity, Diversity and Inclusion
- Indigenous Benefit
- Regional Economic Benefit

Ineligible Project Types

- Research-only focused projects
- Feasibility-only focused projects
- Projects using commercially available or deployed technology
- Projects not focused on clean energy



Call Timeline



Application Window Open

Application Review

Proposal Stage

Online Presentation

Project Implementation

Project Monitoring and Reporting

May 12 to
June 15

June 16 to
July 30

July 30 to
Aug 31

September

Project must
begin before
Dec 31, 2026

To
2034

How to Apply & Next Steps

1. Visit the new Targeted Call for Clean Energy Innovation page on the ICE Fund Website.
www.gov.bc.ca/innovativecleanenergyfund
2. Review the Program Guide to ensure your project will address criteria and is clean energy focused.
3. Review application documents and fill out application PowerPoint.
4. Submit the application PowerPoint by **4:00pm PDT on June 15, 2026** to ICEFUND@gov.bc.ca.
5. The ICE Fund will reach out by **July 30**, with a notification on whether the application has been selected to move to the detailed proposal stage.
6. Shortlisted applicants will be given more details on the next phase of the application.
7. Applicants not selected to progress to the detailed proposal stage will have the opportunity to have a debrief call.



Questions?

Please type your questions in the Q&A section

